

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – M.A. & U.D. Department – Allegation of misappropriation of municipal funds by Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District - Departmental Proceedings under Rule-20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of Charges - Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 175

Dated: 25-02-2019.
Read:-

From the Director General, General Administration (V & E) Department,
Vigilance Report No.83 (C.No.18/V&E (Dev-II)/D1/2010, dated 22.07.2013.

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The statement of articles of charges and statement of imputations of misconduct and misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed Annexures- I & II. A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges proposed to be sustained are also enclosed in Annexures-III & IV.

3. Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District is directed to submit his written statement of defense within (10) days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para (3) above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that above Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State

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and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur is directed to furnish copies of documents as per Annexure-III to Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District.

8. The receipt of G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**R.KARIKAL VALAVEN
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvanha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District through the Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur.

The Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur.

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The General Administration (V&E) Dept., AP, Vijayawada.

The M.A. & U.D. (Vig.II) Dept., Govt. of Telangana,

'D' Block, Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to A.P.Vigilance Commission, 5th Building, A.P. Secretariat.
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**Annexure-I to G.O.Rt.No. 175 , M.A. & U.D.(Vig.I) Dept.,
dated 25.02.2019.**

**Articles of Charges framed against Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then
Municipal Commissioner, Pulvancha Municipality, Khammam District
of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner,
Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District.**

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Charge No.1:

The Sri. Ch.V.V.S. Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Pulavancha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and now working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh State has incurred expenditure Rs.1,10,455/- and 11,83,954/- through vouchers of Rs.1,000/- and Rs.2,000/- respectively which comes to Rs.12,94,409/- for part of the year 2008-09 irregularly.

Charge No.2:

That Sri Ch.V.V.S. Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Pulavancha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and now working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh State has incurred towards incidental charges upto Rs.2000/- as through self cheques and incurred the expenditure towards filling of pot holes, bush cutting, water pipeline, repairs, minor repairs to drains etc. The amounts which were found to be drawn by preparing vouchers, upto Rs. 2,000/- each without bringing the matter to the council, its irregular.

Charge No. 3:

That Sri Ch.V.V.S. Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Pulavancha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and now working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh State has incurred expenditure amounting to Rs. 12,94,409/- towards incidental expenditure irregularly violates the APM Act, 1965.

Charge No. 4:

Thus, Sri Ch.V.V.S. Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Pulavancha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and now working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh State with the above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct , unbecoming of a member of service and thereby contravened Rule, 3 of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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**Annexure-II to G.O.Rt.No.175 , M.A. & U.D.(Vig.I) Dept.,
dated 25.02.2019.**

**Statement of Imputations of Misconduct/Misbehaviour in support to
the charges framed against Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal
Commissioner, Palvancha Municipality, Khammam District of
Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner,
Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District.**

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Sri Ch.V.V.S. Bapi Raju, Municipal Commissioner, who worked during the period between 20.02.2004 and 29.09.2008 has incurred an expenditure of Rs. 1,10,455/- and Rs.11.83,954/- through vouchers Rs.1,000/- and 2,000/- respectively which comes to Rs. 12,94,409/- for part of the year 2008-09 irregularly.

He has neither obtained permission before incurring expenditure nor brought the matter to the notice of Municipal Council for the expenditure which he has made upto Rs.1,000/- towards incidental charges. In regard to expenditures he made upto Rs.2,000/- it is observed that as per APM Act, 1965 and the Rules made there under, the Municipal Commissioners of Grade-II Municipalities are never allowed to incur expenditure beyond Rs.1,000/- Hence, the expenditure incurred by the Municipal Commissioner towards incidental charges is irregular.

Further, being a Drawing and Disbursing Officer (DDO) he has got to abide by the Rules and Acts while incurring such expenditure and financial matters and see the subordinate staff adhere to such rules which are framed by the Government and instructions being issued from time to time. Further being the Head of the Institution he is not supposed to escape from the responsibilities conferred the on him and has to own the responsibility primarily for the expenditure he made irregularly.

Thus, the charges.

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**Annexure-III to G.O.Rt.No.175 , M.A. & U.D.(Vig.I) Dept.,
dated 25 .02.2019.**

List of documents relied upon to the charges framed against Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvancha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District.

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1. GA(V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No. 83 (C.No.18/V&E (Dev- II)/D1/2010), dt. 22.07.2013.
2. Government Memo. No. 976811/Vig.I(2)/2018 MA, dated 26.07.2018.

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**Annexure-IV to G.O.Rt.No.175 , M.A. & U.D.(Vig.I) Dept.,
dated 25.02.2019.**

List of witnesses by whom the charges framed against Sri Ch.V.V.S.Bapi Raju, the then Municipal Commissioner, Palvancha Municipality, Khammam District of Telangana State and presently working as Municipal Commissioner, Amalapuram Municipality, East Godavari District.

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